OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING FORM AND INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Officer Involved Shooting

Report Date: March 7, 2017	Bureau/Station/Facility: East Patrol Division/ San Dimas Station	Admin. Invest.? ☑ Hit? ☑

Incident Information

URN: 015-02566-0899-055	Date: June 4, 2015 Time: 1750 hours
City or Station: San Dimas Station	Nature of Incident: The suspect brandished a handgun while driving. Deputies engaged in a vehicular pursuit. The suspect was shot, while attempting to retrieve a handgun and caught after a foot pursuit.
Location: Citrus Avenue and Alosta Avenue Azusa, California	

Location Type (check one or more):
- ☐ Backyard
- ☐ Beach
- ☐ Business
- ☐ Freeway
- ☐ Industrial
- ☐ Park
- ☐ Parking Lot
- ☐ Residence
- ☐ Rural
- ☐ School
- ☑ Street
- Other:

Lighting (check only one):
- ☐ Darkness
- ☑ Daylight
- ☐ Other
- ☐ Street Lights

Weather (circle only one):
- ☑ Clear
- ☐ Cloudy
- ☐ Fog
- ☐ Rain

Distance:

Incident Type (check one or more):
- ☐ Accidental
- ☑ Armed Person
- ☑ Fleeing Suspect
- ☑ Foot Pursuit
- ☐ Gun Take Away
- ☐ Moving Vehicle
- ☐ Sniper/Ambush
- ☐ Startle
- ☐ Struggle Involved
- ☐ Traffic Stop
- ☐ Unarmed Person
- ☐ Unintentional
- ☑ Vehicle Pursuit
- ☐ Warrant Service
- ☐ Warning Shot
- Other:

Initiated by (check only one):
- ☐ Arrest Warrant
- ☐ Call
- ☑ Observation
- ☐ One Person Unit
- ☐ Other
- ☐ Search Warrant
- ☐ Two Person Unit

Prior Activity (check only one):
- ☐ Detective
- ☐ Inmate Transport
- ☐ Other
- ☑ Routine Patrol

Aero Unit? ☑ Canine Unit? ☐

Total # of Shots Fired by Deputy	Total # of Shots Fired by Suspect
One	None

Employee Witnesses

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	ShiftTime (check only one)	ShiftType (check only one)
[redacted]	Countryman	Wayne	L.	☐ EM ☑ PM ☐ Day	☑ Regular ☐ Overtime ☐ Off Duty
[redacted]	Yoshida	Jeffrey	S.	☐ EM ☑ PM ☐ Day	☑ Regular ☐ Overtime ☐ Off Duty
[redacted]	Holm	John	R.	☐ EM ☑ PM ☐ Day	☑ Regular ☐ Overtime ☐ Off Duty

Non-Employee Witnesses

Last Name	First Name	M.I.	Street Address	City	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
[redacted]	[redacted]		[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]		[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]		[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]		[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]		[redacted]

Supervisors

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	(check one or more)
[redacted]	Gregory	Vicki	L.	☑ On Duty ☐ Present during shooting ☐ Witness to shooting ☐ Involved in shooting
[redacted]	Edwards	Tonya	P.	☑ On Duty ☐ Present during shooting ☐ Witness to shooting ☐ Involved in shooting

Watch Sergeant

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.

Watch Commander

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]

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Rollout Information

Arrival Date	Arrival Time	Date Submitted	Date of Recommendation
6/04/2015	1932 hours	3/15/2017	

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
[redacted]	Carter	Quitman	V.
[redacted]	Morris	Patrick	E.
[redacted]	Hamil	Jeffrey	F.

Shooting / Force Information

Method

(AW) Arwen
(BC) Baton:(Control)
(BI) Baton:(Impact)
(BF) Bodily Fluids
(CN) Canine
(CR) Carotid Restraint
(CH) Choke Hold
(CT) Control Holds:(Control Techniques)
(TT) Control Holds:(Team Takedown)
(TD) Control Holds:(Takedown)
(CE) Chemical
(OC) Chemical Agents (OC Spray)
(TG) Chemical Agents (Tear Gas)
(EX) Explosives
(FH) Firearm (Handgun)
(FR) Firearm (Rifle)
(FS) Firearm (Shotgun)
(FO) Firearm (Other)
(FB) Flashbang
(FL) Flashlight
(OE) Other Weapon: Edged
(OV) Other Weapon: Vehicle
(OB) Other Weapon: Blunt Object
(OO) Other Weapon: Other
(PK) Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Kick)
(PS) Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Sweep)
(PH) Personal Weapon (Hand/Arm)
(PP) Personal Weapon (Push)
(PO) Personal Weapon (Other)
(RS) Resistance
(CN) Restraint Device (Capture Net)
(RH) Restraint Device (Handcuffs)
(HB) Restraint Device:Hobble (Legs Only)
(TP) Restraint Device:Hobble (TARP)
(RE) Restraint Device: REACT Belt
(SP) Sap
(SH) Shield
(SG) 37mm Stinger
(SB) Sting Ball
(ST) Stun Bag
(TR) Taser
(UC) Uncooperative

Type of Injury

(AB) Abrasion
(BR) Bruise
(BU) Burn
(CP) Complaint of Pain
(CO) Concussion
(DH) Death
(DI) Dislocation
(DB) Dog Bite
(FR) Fractures
(GS) Gunshot
(HB) Human Bite
(LC) Lacerations
(ND) Nerve Damage
(OD) Organ Damage
(PA) Paralysis
(PW) Puncture Wound
(SD) Soft Tissue Damage
(ST) Sprain/Twists
(UN) Unconscious
(RM) Refused Med Treatment
(NN) NONE

Body Part Injured

(AD) Abdomen
(AK) Ankle
(AR) Arm
(BK) Back
(BT) Buttocks
(CH) Chest
(EL) Elbow
(FA) Face
(FE) Feet
(FI) Fingers
(GE) Genitals
(GR) Groin
(HD) Hand
(HE) Head
(HI) Hip
(IN) Internal
(KN) Knees
(LE) Leg
(NK) Neck
(SH) Shoulder
(WR) Wrist

Brand

(AK) AK-47
(BN) Benelli
(BR) Beretta
(BW) Browning
(CH) Charter Arms
(CO) Colt
(DA) Davis Industries
(GL) Glock
(HA) Harrington & Richardson
(HI) Hi Standard
(HK) H & K
(IT) Ithica
(IV) Iver Johnson
(JE) Jennings
(LO) Lorcin
(LU) Luger
(MA) Marlin
(MO) Mossberg
(NC) NCI aka SKS
(NA) North American
(NO) Norinco
(RA) Raven
(RM) Remington
(RG) RG
(RI) RGI
(RO) Rossi
(SW) Smith & Wesson
(SR) Sturm Ruger
(SS) SIG Sauer
(ST) Sterling
(TA) Taurus
(WE) Weatherby
(WN) Winchester
(US) US Government
(YY) Handmade (Inmate)
(XX) Homemade (Non-Inmate)
(ZZ) Other Brand

Caliber

(9) 9 mm
(10) 10 mm
(12) 12 guage
(20) 20 guage
(21) .22-250
(22) .22 caliber
(23) .223 caliber
(24) .243 caliber
(25) .25 caliber
(30) .308 caliber
(35) .357 caliber
(36) 30-60 caliber
(38) .38 caliber
(40) .40 caliber
(41) .410 guage
(44) .44 caliber
(45) .45 caliber
(50) 50 mm
(SL) Slug
(WW) Other caliber

FORCE APPLIED *(one code per block)*

Used By (E# or S#)	Used Against (E# or S#)	Method (Code)	Brand (Code)	Caliber (Code)	Authorized Weapon? (Y/N)	Authorized Ammunition? (Y/N)	Type of Injury (Code)	Body Part (Code)
S#1	E#1	UC	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	NN	N/A
E#1	S#1	FH	SW	9	Y	Y	GS	CH

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Involved Employee Information

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Involved Employee

E 1

Employee # [redacted]	Last Name: Lozano	First Name: Gilbert	M.I.
Sex: M Race: H	Rank: Deputy Sheriff	Unit Assignment: San Dimas Station	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): Unit 87F
ShiftTime (*circle only one*): ☐ EM ☑ PM ☐ Day	ShiftType (*circle only one*): ☑ Regular ☐ Overtime ☐ Off Duty	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Hospital Admission? ☑	Hospital Name: Foothill Presbyterian	Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #: Interviewed? ☑
Hrs of sleep prior to shooting: 8 hours	Duty Time (hrs): [redacted] hours	Clothing (*circle only one*): ☐ Plain Clothes no Vest ☐ Plain Clothes w/ Vest ☐ Raid Jacket no Vest ☐ Raid Jacket w/ Vest ☐ Uniform no Vest ☑ Uniform w/ Vest	Other Factors:
Age: 34 Height: 511	Weight: 225		
Range Qualification Date: [redacted]	PPC Qualification Date: [redacted]	Laser Training Date: [redacted]	
Certified with Weapon Used? [redacted]	Patrol Certification? [redacted]	Certification Unit: [redacted]	Prior Shootings? [redacted] Number of Prior Shootings: [redacted] Directed Force: ☐
Weapons Fired Brand: Smith & Wesson	Caliber: 9mm	# Shots: 1	Weapons Fired Brand: Caliber: # Shots:
Field Training Officer Emp # [redacted]	Last Name: [redacted]	First Name: [redacted]	M.I.
Field Training Officer Emp # [redacted]	Last Name: [redacted]	First Name: [redacted]	M.I. [redacted]

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Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
Sex: Race:	Rank:	Unit Assignment:	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):
ShiftTime (*circle only one*): ☐ EM ☐ PM ☐ Day	ShiftType (*circle only one*): ☐ Regular ☐ Overtime ☐ Off Duty	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Hospital Admission? ☐	Hospital Name:	Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #: Interviewed? ☐
Hrs of sleep prior to shooting:	Duty Time (hrs):	Clothing (*circle only one*): ☐ Plain Clothes no Vest ☐ Plain Clothes w/ Vest ☐ Raid Jacket no Vest ☐ Raid Jacket w/ Vest ☐ Uniform no Vest ☐ Uniform w/ Vest	Other Factors:
Age: Height:	Weight:		
Range Qualification Date:	PPC Qualification Date:	Laser Training Date:	
Certified with Weapon Used? ☐	Patrol Certification? ☐	Certification Unit:	Prior Shootings? ☐ Number of Prior Shootings: Directed Force: ☐
Weapons Fired Brand:	Caliber:	# Shots:	Weapons Fired Brand: Caliber: # Shots:
Field Training Officer Emp #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
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ShiftTime (*circle only one*): ☐ EM ☐ PM ☐ Day	ShiftType (*circle only one*): ☐ Regular ☐ Overtime ☐ Off Duty	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Hospital Admission? ☐	Hospital Name:	Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #: Interviewed? ☐
Hrs of sleep prior to shooting:	Duty Time (hrs):	Clothing (*circle only one*): ☐ Plain Clothes no Vest ☐ Plain Clothes w/ Vest ☐ Raid Jacket no Vest ☐ Raid Jacket w/ Vest ☐ Uniform no Vest ☐ Uniform w/ Vest	Other Factors:
Age: Height:	Weight:		
Range Qualification Date:	PPC Qualification Date:	Laser Training Date:	
Certified with Weapon Used? ☐	Patrol Certification? ☐	Certification Unit:	Prior Shootings? ☐ Number of Prior Shootings: Directed Force: ☐
Weapons Fired Brand:	Caliber:	# Shots:	Weapons Fired Brand: Caliber: # Shots:
Field Training Officer Emp #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
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Suspect Information

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Suspect Information

S 1

Last Name: Valenzuela		First Name: Paul	M.I.
AKA Last Name		First Name	M.I.
Sex: M Race: H	Street Address: [redacted]	City [redacted]	State & Zip Code: [redacted]
Work Phone:	Home Phone: [redacted]	Social Security #: [redacted]	Driver's License #: [redacted]
Age: 32 D.O.B. 2/12/1985	Height: 510 Weight: 160	FBI # [redacted]	CII # [redacted]
Booking # 4347249	Primary Charge: 29800(a)(1) PC, Ex-Felon with a Handgun	Secondary Charge: 2800.2 VC , Felony Evading	
Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Armed? ☑	Apprehended? ☑	Mental Illness? ☐	Criminal History? ☑

Vehicle Make	Model:	Year:	Parole:	Probation:	Prior Felony Conviction:
Chevrolet	Malibu	2008	[redacted]		[redacted]

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Last Name		First Name	M.I.
AKA Last Name		First Name	M.I.
Sex: Race:	Street Address:	City	State & Zip Code:
Work Phone:	Home Phone:	Social Security #:	Driver's License #:
Age: D.O.B.	Height: Weight:	FBI #	CII #
Booking #	Primary Charge:	Secondary Charge:	
Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Armed? ☐	Apprehended? ☐	Mental Illness? ☐	Criminal History? ☐

Vehicle Make	Model:	Year:	Parole:	Probation:	Prior Felony Conviction:

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Last Name		First Name	M.I.
AKA Last Name		First Name	M.I.
Sex: Race:	Street Address:	City	State & Zip Code:
Work Phone:	Home Phone:	Social Security #:	Driver's License #:
Age: D.O.B.	Height: Weight:	FBI #	CII #
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Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
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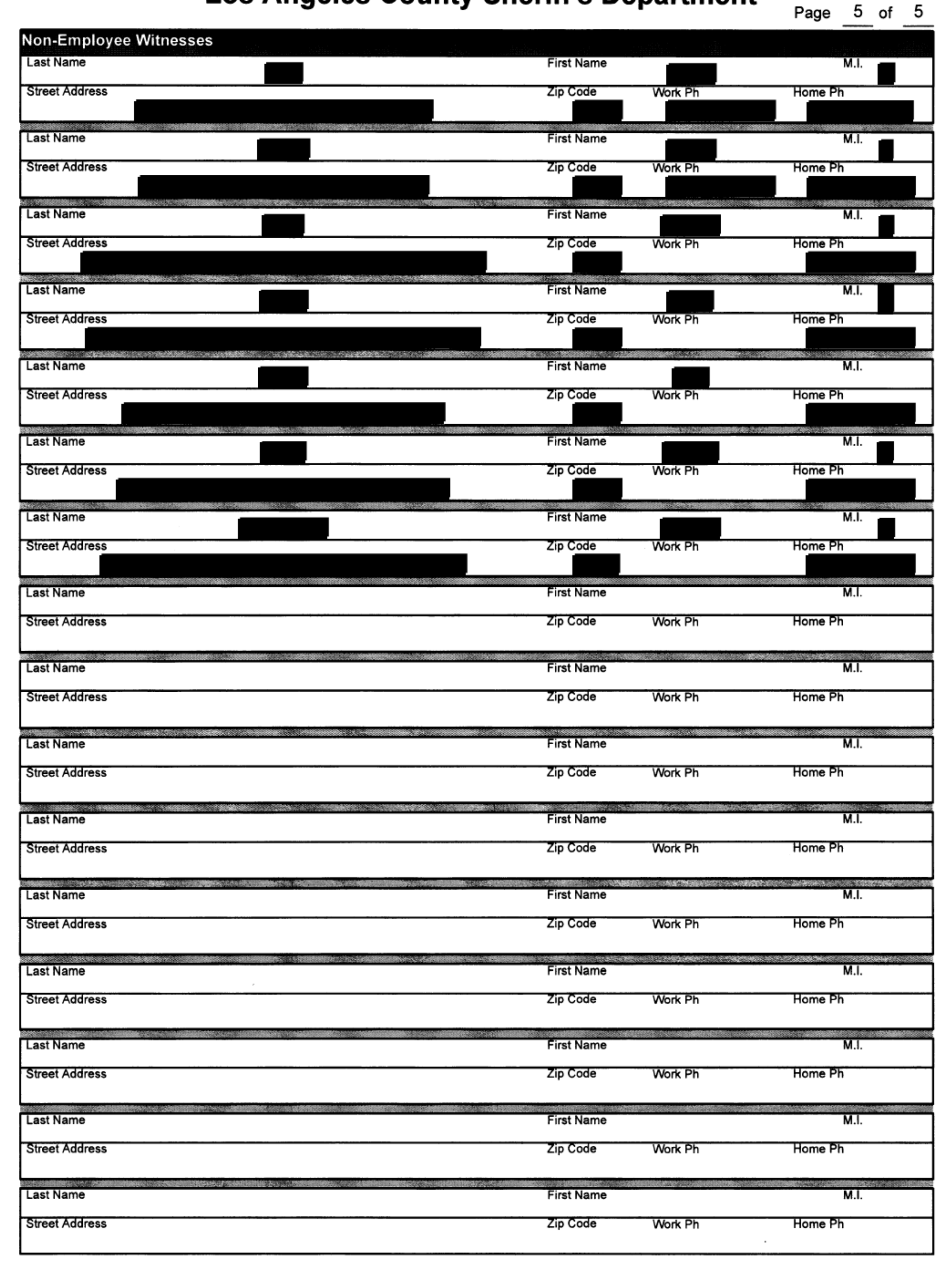
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Last Name		First Name	M.I.
AKA Last Name		First Name	M.I.
Sex: Race:	Street Address:	City	State & Zip Code:
Work Phone:	Home Phone:	Social Security #:	Driver's License #:
Age: D.O.B.	Height: Weight:	FBI #	CII #
Booking #	Primary Charge:	Secondary Charge:	
Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Armed? ☐	Apprehended? ☐	Mental Illness? ☐	Criminal History? ☐

Vehicle Make	Model:	Year:	Parole:	Probation:	Prior Felony Conviction:

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SUPPLEMENTAL NON-EMPLOYEE WITNESSES
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department



Non-Employee Witnesses

Last Name	First Name	M.I.	Street Address	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]		[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]		[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]		[redacted]	[redacted]		[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]		[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]		[redacted]

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

INCIDENT:	**On-duty hit shooting**
IAB FILE NUMBER:	**SH 2380533**
URN:	**015-02566-0861-151**
DATE/TIME:	**June 4, 2015 / 1750 hours**
INVOLVED DEPUTY:	**Gilbert Lozano, MH/ [redacted]**
LOCATION:	**Citrus Avenue and Alosta Avenue, Azusa, CA**

On Tuesday, November 24, 2015, an Internal Affair Bureau (IAB) team comprised of Lieutenant Quitman Carter, Sergeant Jeffrey Hamil, and Sergeant Patrick Morris responded to Citrus Avenue and Alosta Avenue, regarding deputy-involved shooting. Suspect Valenzuela sustained a gunshot wound to the right side of his chest.

Sergeants John O'Brien # [redacted] and Domenick Recchia # [redacted] from Homicide Bureau arrived and assumed control of the investigation. For further information refer to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Homicide Bureau case book under file number 015-02566-0861-151 **[Exhibit A]**.

IAB Lieutenant Carter checked to see that Lieutenant Tanya Edwards (San Dimas Station Watch Commander) took reasonable steps to ensure Deputy Lozano and the witnesses did not discuss the incident among themselves or with uninvolved persons prior to being interviewed by the assigned investigators. Lieutenant Carter also ensured Lieutenant Edwards knew the aforementioned parties should not collectively consult with their attorney or representative. In addition, Lieutenant Carter ensured Lieutenant Edwards had Deputy Lozano and witness personnel gather in the company of a supervisor until they provided a statement to the assigned investigators.

SYNOPSIS:

On June 4, 2015, at approximately 1750 hours, Deputy Lozano and his partner, Deputy Countryman, were traveling eastbound on Covina Boulevard approaching Barranca Avenue, in the city of Covina. While Deputy Countryman was driving, he observed a white 2008 Chevy Malibu, license plate number [redacted] driving westbound on Covina

Boulevard from Barranca Avenue. As Deputy Countryman drove past the vehicle, he observed a male Hispanic, later identified as Suspect Valenzuela, driving, while holding a gun in his left hand. Deputy Countryman looked in his rearview mirror and observed the brake lights activate on Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle, as Suspect Valenzuela tried to slow down. Deputy Countryman made a U-turn on Covina Boulevard, and attempted to catch up to Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle. Suspect Valenzuela accelerated away. Suspect Valenzuela turned into a vacant K-Mart parking lot, located at Citrus Avenue and Covina Boulevard. Suspect Valenzuela then fishtailed his vehicle while exiting the parking lot. When Deputies Countryman and Lozano caught up to Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle, Deputy Lozano observed Suspect Valenzuela holding a gun in his left hand. Believing Suspect Valenzuela was attempting to evade them, Deputy Countryman activated his lights and siren on the patrol vehicle while attempting to conduct a traffic stop on Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle. Suspect Valenzuela refused to stop and accelerated away from Deputies Countryman and Lozano. Deputy Countryman engaged in a vehicular pursuit. See **Exhibit C** and **Exhibit A, page 47** for the details of the pursuit. The vehicle pursuit ended on northbound Citrus Avenue at Alosta Avenue **[Refer to Deputy Lozano's transcribed IAB interview, pages 3-4; Deputy Lozano's transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 1-3; Witness Countryman's transcribed IAB interview, pages 2-4; Witness Countryman's transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 2-8; Witness Yoshida's transcribed IAB transcripts, pages 3-5; Witness Holm's transcribed IAB interview, page 2; Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 3-4, 7, and 9-11; Suspect Valenzuela's transcribed IAB interview, pages 2, 4-5, and page 7]**.

IAB Note: **On June 4, 2015, a memorandum regarding the vehicle pursuit was prepared from San Dimas Station Captain Duane Harris to East Patrol Division Chief Buddy Goldman. The vehicle pursuit was reviewed by Commander David Halm on July 7, 2015. The vehicle pursuit was also reviewed by Chief Buddy Goldman on July 8, 2015. See Exhibit C. They deemed the vehicle pursuit was within policy.**

When the vehicle pursuit ended at northbound Citrus Avenue at Alosta Avenue in the city of Azusa, there were numerous vehicles stopped for a red traffic light. Suspect Valenzuela was caught in the traffic congestion. Suspect Valenzuela drove toward the east curb line of Citrus Avenue, as if he was going to drive onto the sidewalk. Suspect Valenzuela stopped his vehicle. Deputies Countryman and Lozano also stopped their vehicle behind (off set to the left) Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle (approximately one car length). Deputy Lozano advised Sheriff's Communication Center (SCC) of their location. Deputy Lozano immediately exited the passenger side of the patrol vehicle and took cover behind the

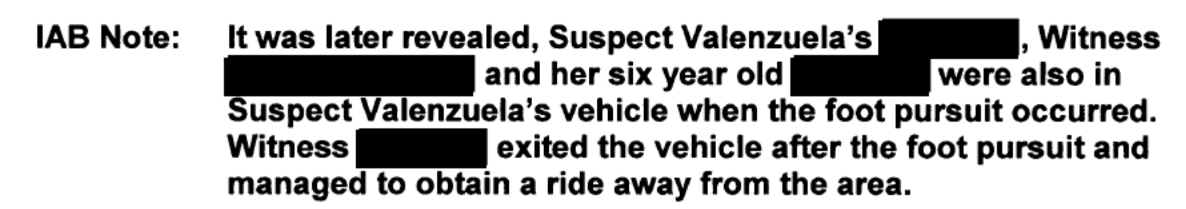
passenger door. Deputy Countryman exited and took cover behind the driver's door **[Refer to Deputy Lozano's transcribed IAB interview, pages 4-5; Deputy Lozano's transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 2 and 4-6; Witness Countryman's transcribed IAB interview, pages 4-5; Witness Countryman's transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 8-9; Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau, pages 3-4, 7, and 9-11; Witness [redacted]' transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 3-6; Suspect Valenzuela's transcribed IAB interview, pages 2, 4-5, and page 7]**.

Deputies Countryman and Lozano observed Suspect Valenzuela moving around in the vehicle. They gave numerous commands for Suspect Valenzuela to show his hands, but Suspect Valenzuela refused. Suddenly, Suspect Valenzuela exited through the front passenger door and turned toward Deputy Lozano. When Suspect Valenzuela exited, Deputy Lozano gave Suspect Valenzuela verbal commands to raise his hands. Suspect Valenzuela initially complied by raising both of his hands. Suspect Valenzuela quickly brought his right hand down toward his front waist area. Deputy Lozano feared for his life and Deputy Countryman's life, because he believed Suspect Valenzuela was retrieving a handgun to use against them. Deputy Lozano fired one round from his Department issued Smith & Wesson M&P 9mm handgun. Deputy Lozano said the round from his handgun struck Suspect Valenzuela in the right side of his chest **[Refer to Deputy Lozano's transcribed IAB interview, page 4; Deputy Lozano's transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 2-3; Witness Countryman's transcribed IAB interview, pages 4-5; Witness Countryman's transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 8-10; Witness [redacted]a's transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 9-13; Witness [redacted]' transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 4-6; Suspect Valenzuela's transcribed IAB interview, pages 5-6 and 8-13]**.

Suspect Valenzuela bent over as if he was about to fall. Suddenly, Suspect Valenzuela ran eastbound though the shopping center's parking lot located on the southeast corner of Citrus Avenue and Alosta Avenue. Deputies Lozano and Countryman engaged in a foot pursuit. When Deputy Countryman ran past Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle, he briefly glanced inside it and did not see anyone else inside the vehicle. Deputies Countryman and Lozano chased Suspect Lozano in a northeasterly direction through the parking lot. Deputy Lozano advised SCC he and Deputy Countryman were in foot pursuit. Deputies Holm and Yoshida arrived on scene. Deputy Yoshida exited his patrol vehicle and also engaged in the foot pursuit. Deputy Holm drove northbound on Citrus Avenue to eastbound Alosta Avenue to contain Alosta Avenue. When Suspect Valenzuela ran behind the [redacted] restaurant, Deputy Countryman observed Suspect Valenzuela discard a firearm south of the [redacted] restaurant.

Suspect Valenzuela continued running eastbound on the south sidewalk of Alosta Avenue. Suspect Valenzuela then went southbound back into the shopping center's parking lot. When Suspect Valenzuela ran southbound through the parking lot, Deputies Countryman and Lozano lost sight of him. They stopped pursuing Suspect Valenzuela. They took cover next to a building (American Christian Credit Union (924 E. Alosta Avenue). A citizen driving through the parking lot got Deputy Countryman's attention. The citizen (male Hispanic 30-40 years old) advised Deputy Countryman that Suspect Valenzuela was hiding under a parked vehicle near the building where they obtained cover. Fearing the suspect was severely wounded and needed medical attention, Deputies Countryman and Lozano cleared a small section of the parking lot. They located Suspect Valenzuela hiding under a parked vehicle **[Refer to Deputy Lozano's transcribed IAB interview, pages 4-5; Deputy Lozano's transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 3 and 7; Witness Countryman's transcribed IAB interview, pages 5-7; Witness Countryman's transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 9-14; Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau, pages 9-13; Witness [redacted]' transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, page 7; Suspect Valenzuela's transcribed IAB interview, pages 12-15]**.

Deputies Countryman, Lozano, and Yoshida gave commands for Suspect Valenzuela to exit from under the vehicle. As Suspect Valenzuela was coming out from under the vehicle, Deputy Lozano grabbed Suspect Valenzuela's arm and assisted him from under the vehicle. Deputies Lozano and Countryman placed Suspect Valenzuela in handcuffs while Deputy Yoshida provided cover. Suspect Valenzuela did not resist. Deputy Holm drove his vehicle to their location. Suspect Valenzuela was bleeding profusely from his chest. Deputy Lozano requested medical personnel to their location. Deputy Lozano began applying pressure to Suspect Valenzuela's wound until medical personnel arrived. Deputy Countryman went to the area where he observed Suspect Valenzuela discard his (Suspect Valenzuela's) firearm. Deputy Countryman recovered a Taurus .380 caliber handgun. Medical personnel arrived and Suspect Valenzuela was subsequently airlifted to Los Angeles County Medical Center **[Refer to Deputy Lozano's transcribed IAB interview, pages 4-5; Deputy Lozano's transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 2-3; Witness Countryman's transcribed IAB interview, pages 5-7; Witness Countryman's transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 9-14; Witness [redacted]s transcribed Homicide Bureau, pages 9-13; Suspect Valenzuela's transcribed IAB interview, page 15]**.


IAB Note: **It was later revealed, Suspect Valenzuela's [redacted], Witness [redacted] and her six year old [redacted] were also in Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle when the foot pursuit occurred. Witness [redacted] exited the vehicle after the foot pursuit and managed to obtain a ride away from the area.**

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S LETTER OF OPINION

The Justice System Integrity Division of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office reviewed the shooting of Suspect Paul Valenzuela by Deputy Gilbert Lozano. In their letter of opinion **[Exhibit B]**, dated April 5, 2016, Deputy District Attorney James Garrison concluded Deputy Lozano acted lawfully in self-defense and in the defense of others.

INVOLVED EMPLOYEE AND WORK HISTORY:

Gilbert Lozano, Deputy Sheriff, #[redacted]
East Patrol Division
San Dimas Station

Work History

Date of Employment:	September 13, 2006
Date Assigned to Patrol:	[redacted]
Date Completed Patrol Training:	[redacted]
Prior Shooting Incidents:	[redacted]
Prior Founded Force Incidents:	[redacted]

Equipment Worn On Person

Smith & Wesson, MMP, 9mm handgun, serial #HRH7438
Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray
Two magazines
Portable radio
Two sets of handcuffs
Expandable baton
Taser with holster
Keys

SUSPECT INFORMATION:

Paul Valenzuela
Male Hispanic, DOB February 12, 1985, 5'10", 160 pounds
[redacted]
CII #[redacted], MAIN #[redacted], FBI #[redacted]



The Consolidated Criminal History System revealed Suspect Valenzuela had [redacted] **[Exhibit B].**

Suspect Valenzuela is a documented "La Puente" gang member known as "Little".

SUSPECT'S INJURIES:

Suspect Valenzuela received a gunshot wound to his upper right chest. The bullet also went into his right bicep. He was treated by on scene by fire personnel. Suspect Valenzuela was subsequently airlifted to the Los Angeles County Medical Center.

DEPUTY PERSONNEL INJURIES:

Deputy Lozano was transported to Foothill Presbyterian Hospital following the shooting and foot pursuit. He suffered from chest pain and high blood pressure.

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE:

Forensic Identification Specialists David Ozeta #[redacted] and Mira Amin #[redacted] from Scientific Services Bureau arrived at the location. Senior Criminalist Kristina Fritz #[redacted] and Deputy John Vanderschaaf #[redacted] also arrived at the location. They collected numerous items of evidence. Suspect Valenzuela's firearm (black Taurus PT738, .380 caliber semiautomatic handgun, serial number [redacted], was among the items recovered and collected as evidence. A DVD containing crime scene photographs is contained in **Exhibit E**. For description of evidence collected and where it was located, see **[Exhibit A, pages11-14].**

DISTANCES:

The distance between Deputy Lozano and Suspect Valenzuela when Deputy Lozano fired was estimated to be between 20 to 25 feet.

INVESTIGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS:

The scene was described in detail by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau investigators and documented with photographs. The scene description covered the entire incident and shooting location **[Exhibit A, pages 15-18]**. The descriptions were consistent with the observations of the IAB investigators who responded to the scene.

RADIO TRANSMISSIONS:

Main working frequency, Dispatch-6
1750 hours, Deputy Lozano (unit 87F) requested the patch

Time on CD (Exhibit D)
00:22 87F requested the patch and additional units
00:46 87B responding in one minute
00:53 86A responding
01:15 80S responding
01:19 86 code-6
02.44 Air-21 responding
02:44 87F 998 (transmission covered)
02:55 87F foot pursuit
03:37 80S two-three minutes away
03:42 86 code-6
03:50 Air-21 requesting location
03:58 87F advising code-4 one in custody
04:16 87F requesting paramedics
06:43 80S one minute away

San Dimas L-Tac 7 frequency

Time on CD (Exhibit D)
01:02 80D requesting additional resources
01:32 40G requesting permission from 80D to respond code-3
02:53 294G responding code-3
03:47 294 responding code-3

IAB Note: **When the incident occurred, Lieutenant Tonya Edwards established cold line communication with SCC at 1751 hours [Exhibit D].**

REVIEW OF VIDEO:

A surveillance video located in the [redacted] parking lot captured the initial portion of the foot pursuit. The duration of the video is twelve seconds **[Exhibit F]**.

There was an image of Suspect Valenzuela running by the American Christian Credit Union's ATM, located at 924 E. Alosta Avenue. There was also an image of Deputy Lozano with his weapon drawn near the same ATM. See **Exhibit G** for the images.

WEAPON USED BY DEPUTY GIBERT LOZANO:

Deputy Lozano fired one round of Department issued 9mm ammunition from his Department issued Smith & Wesson M&P. His firearm was retrieved by Deputy John Vanderschaaf from Scientific Services Bureau.

IAB Note: **A round count was conducted by Homicide Bureau investigators. The round count revealed 16 live 9mm rounds inside the magazine of Deputy Lozano's weapon and one live 9mm round chambered. The maximum capacity for Deputy Lozano's handgun is 18 rounds [Refer to Deputy Lozano's transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, Round Count].**

Deputy Lozano's weapon was examined by Senior Criminalist Tracy Peck #[redacted] from Scientific Services Bureau Firearm Identification Section. Deputy Lozano's weapon was found to be functional **[Exhibit A, pages 77-78]**.

WEAPON USED BY SUSPECT VALENZUELA:

Suspect Valenzuela had a loaded Taurus PT738, .380 caliber, semi-automatic handgun, serial number [redacted]. There was one live .380 caliber round in the magazine and one live round in the chamber **[Exhibit A, page 12]**.

Suspect Valenzuela's weapon was examined by Deputy Steve Woolum #[redacted] from Scientific Services Bureau Firearm Identification Section. Suspect Valenzuela's weapon was found to be functional **[Exhibit A, pages 79-80]**.

IAB Note: **Suspect Valenzuela's firearm was processed for latent prints. No latent prints were developed [Exhibit A, page 79].**

PROPERTY DAMAGE:

Inside Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle (2008 Chevy Malibu, license number [redacted]), there was a possible bullet hole in the passenger side dash **[Exhibit A, page 14]**. During the evidence processing of Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle, a single bullet projectile was recovered from the passenger's side dashboard **[Exhibit A, page 19]**. Photos of the damage were documented in **Exhibit E**.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATORS/CHARGES FILED:

On June 8, 2015, Sergeant John O'Brien (Homicide Bureau) presented the case to the Deputy District Attorney at Pomona Court. The following charges were filed:

(1) Count of 29800(A)(1) PC, Felon in Possession of a Firearm
(1) Count of 30305(A)(1) PC, Felon in Possession of Ammunition

Suspect Valenzuela receive a four year prison sentence **[Exhibit A, 130-139]**.

LIGHTING AND WEATHER CONDITIONS:

The incident occurred on a bright and sunny day, at 1750 hours.

INVOLVED DEPUTY STATEMENT:

Deputy Gilbert Lozano

On June 4, 2015, at approximately 2227 hours, Sergeants Domenick Recchia and John O'Brien from Homicide Bureau interviewed Deputy Lozano. The interviewed occurred at Foothill Presbyterian Hospital. The interview was summarized in the Homicide Bureau Case Book **[Exhibit A, pages 3-6]**. For Deputy Lozano's complete statement, see his Homicide Bureau transcribed interview.

On March 2, 2017, at 1024 hours, Deputy Lozano was interviewed by IAB investigators. The interview occurred at Internal Affairs Bureau. For Deputy Lozano's complete statement, see his transcribed IAB interview. A map used during the interview is attached to the transcript.

Following is a summary of Deputy Lozano's statement:

Deputy Lozano said on June 4, 2015, at approximately 1750 hours, he and his partner, Deputy Countryman, were traveling eastbound on Covina Boulevard approaching Barranca Street (city of Covina) in their patrol vehicle. While Deputy Countryman was driving, he (Deputy Countryman) observed a white 2008 Chevy Malibu, license plate number [redacted] driving westbound on Covina Avenue from Barranca Street. As Deputy Countryman drove past the vehicle, Deputy Countryman observed a male Hispanic, later identified as Suspect Valenzuela, driving, while holding a gun in his left hand. Deputy Countryman communicated his observations to Deputy Lozano. Deputy Countryman made a U-turn on Covina Boulevard to catch up to Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle.

When they got closer to Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle, Deputy Lozano observed Suspect Valenzuela holding a handgun in his left hand, as they drove westbound on Covina Boulevard. Suspect Valenzuela was moving around inside the vehicle. Deputy Lozano was no longer able to see the handgun. Suspect Valenzuela began to accelerate. Deputy Countryman activated his lights and siren. Suspect Valenzuela failed to yield. Deputy Lozano requested the patch and advised SCC he and Deputy Countryman were in a vehicular pursuit. Deputy Lozano provided SCC of his reason for the vehicle pursuit (417 suspect) and their direction of travel. He also requested additional units, aero, and a supervisor. **See Exhibit D [Refer to Deputy Lozano's transcribed IAB interview, pages 3-8].**

IAB Note: **The vehicle pursuit began the city of Covina and terminated in the city of Azusa. It lasted two minutes and thirty seconds. The total distance was 2.4 miles. For more details regarding the pursuit, see Exhibit A, page 47 and Exhibit C.**

When Suspect Valenzuela drove northbound on Citrus Avenue approaching Alosta Avenue, there was traffic congestion. Suspect Valenzuela was caught in the congested traffic. Suspect Valenzuela drove toward the east curb line of Citrus Avenue, as if he was going drive onto the sidewalk. Suspect Valenzuela stopped his vehicle south of Alosta Avenue. Suspect Valenzuela was moving around within his vehicle. Deputies Countryman and Lozano stopped their vehicle behind Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle. Deputy Lozano exited the passenger side of the patrol vehicle and use the passenger door for cover. Deputy Countryman exited the driver's door and used the driver's door as cover. Deputy Lozano began yelling commands for Suspect Valenzuela to put his hands up. Suspect Valenzuela did not comply **[Refer to Deputy Lozano's transcribed IAB interview, pages 4-9].**

Suspect Valenzuela exited his vehicle through the passenger door and faced Deputy Lozano. Suspect Valenzuela stood next to the passenger door of his (Suspect Valenzuela's) vehicle. Deputy Lozano demanded Suspect Valenzuela to put his hands up. Suspect Valenzuela complied by raising both hands up as he stood approximately ten feet in front of Deputy Lozano. Suddenly, Suspect Valenzuela put his right hand down near his front waistband area. Deputy Lozano feared for his life and Deputy Countryman's life, because he believed Suspect Valenzuela was retrieving a handgun to use against them. Deputy Lozano fired one round from his Department issued Smith & Wesson, M&P, 9mm handgun. Deputy Lozano said the round from his handgun struck Suspect Valenzuela in the right side of his chest.

Deputy Lozano said he fired one round, because of the vehicular and pedestrian traffic. His backdrop was the interior of Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle, but there were other vehicles stopped at the traffic signal **Refer to Deputy Lozano's transcribed IAB interview, pages 4, 9-10, and page 12].**

IAB Note: **There was heavy vehicular and pedestrian traffic out on this date, due to Azusa Pacific University having a graduation ceremony. Azusa Pacific University is located across the street from where the shooting occurred.**

After Suspect Valenzuela was shot, Suspect Valenzuela bent over as if he was about to fall. Suddenly, Suspect Valenzuela ran eastbound though the College Square Shopping Center's parking lot located on the southeast corner of Citrus Avenue and Alosta Avenue. Deputies Lozano and Countryman engaged in a foot pursuit. They chased Suspect Valenzuela eastbound through the shopping center's parking lot toward the rear of the [redacted] restaurant. Deputy Lozano and Deputy Countryman ran next to each other. Deputy Lozano observed Suspect Valenzuela make a tossing motion with hand, but he was not sure what Suspect Valenzuela may have discarded. They chased Suspect Valenzuela eastbound on the south sidewalk of Alosta Avenue from the shopping center's parking lot. Suspect Valenzuela then ran southbound back into the shopping center's parking lot. Deputies Lozano and Countryman lost sight of Suspect Valenzuela. They stopped running and obtained cover next to a building (American Christian Credit Union, 924 E. Alosta Avenue). Deputies Lozano and Countryman began clearing parking stalls near the building. Deputies Lozano and Countryman were advised by a citizen that Suspect Valenzuela was hiding under a parked vehicle within the parking lot. Deputy Lozano observed a large amount of blood coming from under a parked vehicle within the parking lot. Deputy Countryman observed Suspect Valenzuela hiding under the vehicle. Deputy Countryman began giving Suspect Valenzuela orders to come out from under the vehicle. Suspect Valenzuela began coming out from under the vehicle. When Suspect Valenzuela exposed his right hand, Deputy Lozano grabbed it and assisted him (Suspect Valenzuela) from under the vehicle. Deputy Lozano placed handcuffs on Suspect Valenzuela's wrists. Suspect Valenzuela did not resist. Deputy Lozano requested medical personnel to his location to treat Suspect Valenzuela's gunshot wound. Deputy Lozano began to apply pressure to Suspect Valenzuela's wound until fire personnel arrived. **Refer to Deputy Lozano's transcribed IAB interview, pages 4, and 17-18].**

IAB Note: **The initial portion of the foot pursuit was captured on video surveillance camera located in the [redacted] parking lot [Exhibit F].**

A citizen [redacted], F/H, [redacted]) used her cell phone to videotape Suspect Valenzuela on the ground after he was arrested by deputy personnel [Exhibit H].

DEPARTMENT WITNESSES:

Witness Deputy Wayne Countryman

On June 5, 2015, at 0012 hours, Sergeants Domenick Recchia and John O'Brien interviewed Deputy Countryman. The interview occurred at San Dimas Sheriff's Station. Homicide Bureau investigators summarized Deputy Countryman's statement **[Exhibit A, pages 6-9]**. For Deputy Countryman's complete statement, see his transcribed Homicide Bureau interview.

On March 2, 2017, at 0935 hours, Deputy Countryman was interviewed by IAB investigators. The interview occurred at Internal Affairs Bureau. For Deputy Countryman's complete statement, see his transcribed IAB interview. A map used during the interview is attached to the transcript.

Following is a summary of Deputy Countryman's statement:

Deputy Countryman has been employed with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for approximately 10 years. On June 4th, 2015, at approximately 1750 hours, Deputy Countryman and Deputy Lozano were working together as Unit 87F. They were driving eastbound on Covina Boulevard approaching Barranca Street, in the city of Covina. While Deputy Countryman was driving, he observed a white 2008 Chevy Malibu, license plate number [redacted], speeding westbound on Covina Boulevard from Barranca Street. As the vehicle passed Deputies Countryman and Lozano, Deputy Countryman looked at the driver (Suspect Valenzuela) through the front windshield of the vehicle. Deputy Countryman observed Suspect Valenzuela pulling himself toward the steering wheel with his right hand, while holding a black object in his left hand. Deputy Countryman said the black object appeared to be a black semi-automatic handgun. Deputy Countryman communicated to Deputy Lozano what he observed **[Refer to Witness Countryman's transcribed IAB interview, page 3]**.

Deputy Countryman looked in his rearview mirror and observed the brake lights on Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle activate, as Suspect Valenzuela was trying to slow down. Deputy Countryman made a U-turn on Covina Boulevard to catch up to Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle. Suspect Valenzuela turned into the northeast parking lot of Covina Boulevard and Citrus Avenue (vacant K-Mart parking lot). Suspect Valenzuela exited the parking lot northbound on Citrus Avenue at a high rate of speed.

Deputy Countryman felt Suspect Valenzuela was aware of their (Countryman's and Lozano's) presence. He believed Suspect Valenzuela was trying to evade **[Refer to Witness Countryman's transcribed IAB interview, page 3]**.

Deputy Countryman activated his red lights and siren. Deputy Lozano advised Sheriff's Communication Center they were pursuing Suspect Valenzuela, due to brandishing a handgun. The vehicle pursuit traveled through the streets within the cities of Azusa and Covina. See **Exhibit A, page 47** and **Exhibit C** for the details of the vehicle pursuit. **[Refer to Witness Countryman's transcribed IAB interview, page 4]**.

When Suspect Valenzuela went northbound on Citrus Avenue approaching Alosta Avenue, there were numerous vehicles stopped for a red traffic light. Suspect Valenzuela was caught in the congested traffic. Suspect Valenzuela drove toward the east curb line of Citrus Avenue, as if he was going drive onto the sidewalk. Suspect Valenzuela stopped his vehicle. Once Suspect Valenzuela stopped, Deputy Countryman stop their patrol vehicle. Deputy Lozano broadcasted their location. Deputy Lozano exited the passenger side of the patrol vehicle. Deputy Countryman exited the driver's side of the patrol vehicle. Deputies Countryman and Lozano gave Suspect Valenzuela numerous commands to put his hands up and turn off his vehicle. Suspect Valenzuela did not comply with any of their commands. Instead, Suspect Valenzuela began moving around inside the vehicle. Deputy Countryman observed Suspect Valenzuela reaching toward the floorboard, center console, and passenger's seat. Deputy Countryman also observed Suspect Valenzuela reaching into the backseat **[Refer to Witness Countryman's transcribed IAB interview, pages 4 and 12-13]**.

Suddenly, the passenger door to Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle opened. Deputy Countryman saw Suspect Valenzuela's head exit from the passenger door of Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle. Seconds later, Deputy Countryman heard a gunshot. Deputy Countryman heard Suspect Valenzuela make a grunting sound. Deputy Countryman turned toward Deputy Lozano. Deputy Lozano advised Deputy Countryman he shot Suspect Valenzuela **[Refer to Witness Countryman's transcribed IAB interview, pages 5, and 9-10]**.

Deputy Countryman looked at Suspect Valenzuela. Suspect Valenzuela reached toward his left shoulder before putting his hands up. Suspect Valenzuela looked at Deputies Countryman and Lozano, then ran eastbound through the shopping center parking lot (located on the southwest corner of Citrus Avenue and Alosta Avenue). Deputies Countryman and Lozano engaged in a foot pursuit. Deputy Lozano broadcasted their direction of travel **[Refer to Witness Countryman's transcribed IAB interview, page 5]**.

As Deputy Countryman and Deputy Lozano ran past Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle, Deputy Countryman quickly looked inside the opened passenger door of Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle. Deputy Countryman did not see anyone inside the vehicle. Deputy Countryman ran slightly behind Deputy Lozano (on Deputy Lozano's left side). Deputies Countryman and Lozano were approximately 10 to 15 feet behind Suspect Valenzuela. Deputy Countryman believed Suspect Valenzuela was still armed with a handgun and did not want him to harm any civilians. As Suspect Valenzuela ran in a northeast direction on the side of the [redacted] restaurant, Deputy Countryman observed Suspect Valenzuela reaching into his front waistband. Deputy Lozano communicated to Deputy Countryman by saying, "He's reaching. He's reaching." Deputy Countryman observed Suspect Valenzuela discard a black firearm in a grassy area near the south portion of the [redacted] restaurant **[Refer to Witness Countryman's transcribed IAB interview, pages 5, and 17]**.

Deputies Countryman and Lozano continued to chase Suspect Valenzuela. Deputy Countryman was not sure if Suspect Valenzuela had another firearm. Suspect Valenzuela ran eastbound on the south sidewalk on Alosta Avenue as he exited the shopping center parking lot. Deputies Countryman and Lozano continued to chase him. Suspect Valenzuela then turned southbound (near the American Christian Credit Union, 923 E. Alosta Avenue) back into the shopping center's parking lot. Deputies Countryman and Lozano lost sight of Suspect Valenzuela. They stopped running and obtained cover near the American Christian Credit Union. Deputies Countryman and Lozano began to visually clear the parking lot. A citizen (male Hispanic 30-40 years old) driving in the parking lot got Deputy Countryman's attention. Deputy Countryman said the citizen told him Suspect Valenzuela was under a parked vehicle. The vehicle was parked in a parking stall near the American Christian Credit Union, approximately ten feet away from Deputies Countryman and Lozano **[Refer to Witness Countryman's transcribed IAB interview, page 6]**.

IAB Note: The citizen who advised Deputy Countryman of Suspect Valenzuela's whereabouts was not identified and was not interviewed.

Deputy Countryman feared Suspect Valenzuela could possibly lose his life under the vehicle, because of the loss of blood from his gunshot wound. Deputy Countryman felt Suspect Valenzuela needed immediate medical attention. Deputies Countryman and Lozano made the decision to contact Suspect Valenzuela. Deputies Countryman and Lozano held Suspect Valenzuela at gunpoint. Deputy Countryman gave Suspect Valenzuela verbal commands to come out from under the vehicle. Deputy Yoshida arrived at their location. As Suspect Valenzuela was coming out from under the vehicle, Deputy Countryman placed his (Deputy Countryman's) handgun in his holster.

Deputy Countryman assisted Deputy Lozano in handcuffing Suspect Valenzuela. Suspect Valenzuela did not resist. Deputy Lozano requested paramedics for Suspect Valenzuela. Deputy Countryman went back to the area where he observe Suspect Valenzuela discard the firearm. Deputy Countryman recovered a black .380 caliber handgun from the grass area south of the [redacted] restaurant. Deputy Countryman said they opted to continue searching for Suspect Valenzuela rather than contain the location, because of the safety of the public. Deputy Countryman feared Suspect Valenzuela's desperate actions placed pedestrians from the businesses and citizens attending the Azusa Pacific University graduation ceremony at risk. Deputy Countryman believed Suspect Valenzuela was severely injured and in need of medical aid **[Refer to Witness Countryman's transcribed IAB interview, pages 5-6 and 22-23]**.

Witness Deputy Jeffrey Yoshida

On March 1, 2017, at 1451 hours, Deputy Yoshida was interviewed by IAB investigators. The interview occurred at Internal Affairs Bureau. For Deputy Yoshida's complete statement, see his transcribed interview. A map used during the interview is attached to the transcript.

Deputy Yoshida has been with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for 11 years. Deputy Yoshida said on June 4, 2015, at approximately 1750 hours, he worked Unit 86 with his partner, Deputy Holm. He heard Deputies Countryman and Lozano (Unit 87F) request assistance, indicating they were involved in a vehicle pursuit. Deputy Yoshida acknowledged he and Deputy Holm would be assisting. Deputy Yoshida and Deputy Holm became involved in the pursuit, but at some point they were in heavy traffic and followed the pursuit from approximately 300 yards away. See **Exhibit C** for details of vehicle pursuit **[Refer to Witness Yoshida's transcribed IAB interview, pages 5-6]**.

When Deputy Yoshida and Deputy Holm were approaching northbound Citrus Avenue south of Alosta Avenue, Deputy Yoshida observed Deputy Countryman's and Deputy Lozano's patrol vehicle stopped behind Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle. Deputy Yoshida did not see anyone else in Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle. Deputy Yoshida observed Deputies Countryman and Lozano run eastbound through the parking lot while advising they were in foot pursuit. Deputy Yoshida exited the passenger door to his patrol vehicle and engaged in the foot pursuit behind Deputies Countryman and Lozano. Deputy Yoshida ran for approximately 25 yards. When Deputies Countryman and Lozano ran eastbound on Alosta Avenue from the parking lot, Deputy Yoshida lost sight of them. Deputy Yoshida stopped running and began walking along the south curb of Alosta Avenue. Deputy Holm drove the patrol car to Alosta Avenue.

Deputy Yoshida was advised by a citizen of Deputies Countryman's and Lozano's location. When Deputy Yoshida approached the American Christian Credit Union (924 E. Alosta Avenue), he observed Deputies Countryman and Lozano detaining Suspect Valenzuela at gunpoint, while giving him verbal commands. Deputy Yoshida observed Suspect Valenzuela hiding under a parked vehicle. Deputy Lozano grabbed Suspect Valenzuela's arm and assisted him from under the vehicle. Suspect Valenzuela did not resist. Deputy Lozano handcuffed Suspect Valenzuela. Deputy Yoshida observed Suspect Valenzuela bleeding from his left shoulder. Fire personnel arrived. Deputy Yoshida rode in the ambulance with Suspect Valenzuela as he was being transported to the hospital by fire personnel. Suspect Valenzuela was subsequently airlifted to the Los Angeles County Medical Center. Deputy Yoshida said he did not observe or hear the shooting **[Refer to Witness Yoshida's transcribed IAB interview, pages 3-9]**.

Witness Deputy John Holm

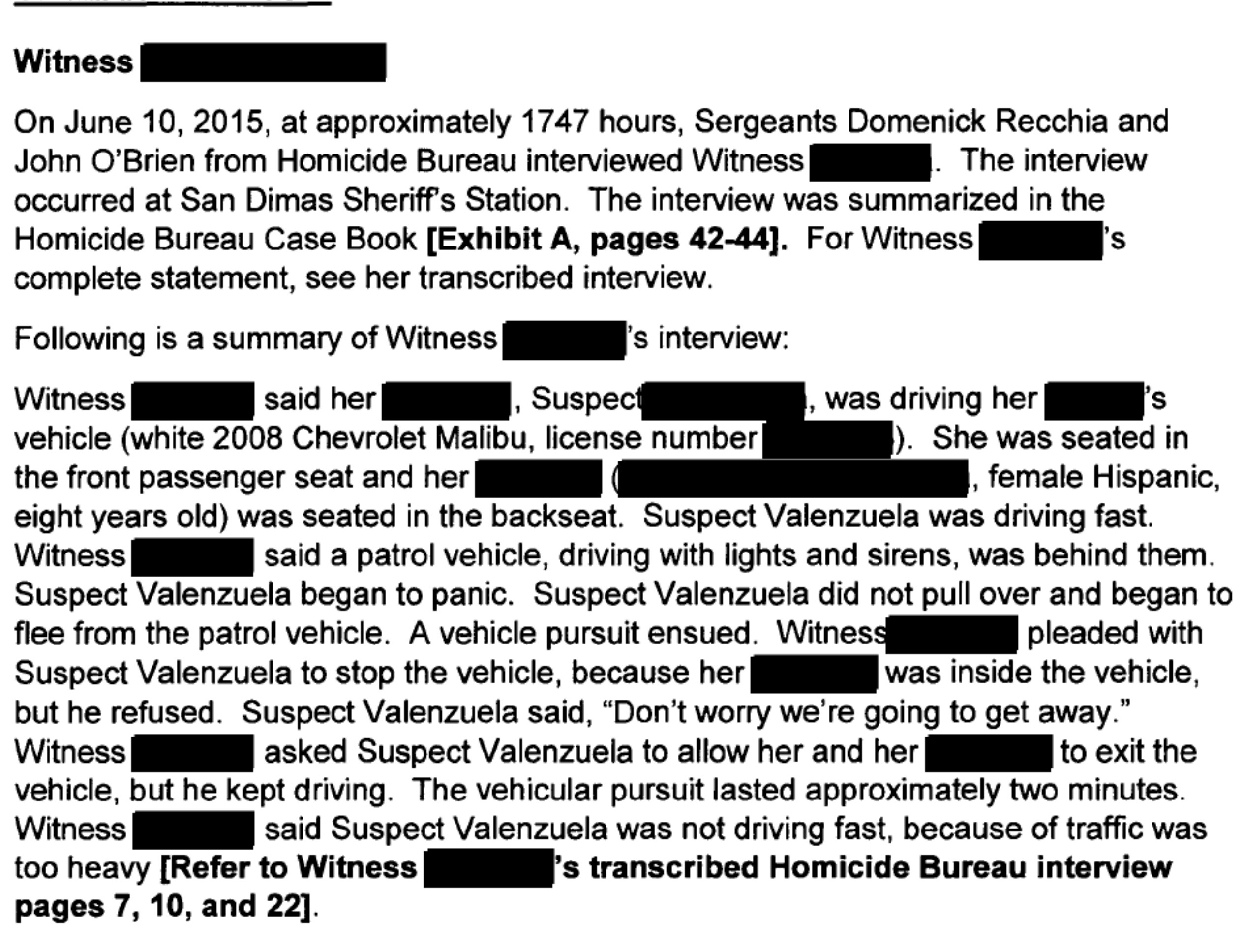
On March 1, 2017, at 1415 hours, Deputy Holm was interviewed by IAB investigators. The interview occurred at San Dimas Sheriff's Station. For Deputy Holm's complete statement, see his transcribed IAB interview. A map used during the interview is attached to the transcript.

Following is a summary of Deputy Holm's statement:

Deputy Holm has been employed with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for 28 years. Deputy Holm said on June 4, 2015, at approximately 1750 hours, he worked Unit 86 with his partner, Deputy Yoshida. He heard Deputies Countryman and Lozano (Unit 87F) request assistance, indicating they were involved in a vehicle pursuit. Deputy Yoshida acknowledged he and Deputy Holm would be assisting. They became involved in the pursuit, but they were in heavy traffic. They followed the pursuit from approximately three blocks away **[Refer to Witness Holm's transcribed IAB interview, pages 2-5]**.

When Deputies Holm and Yoshida were approaching northbound Citrus Avenue at Alosta Avenue, Deputy Holm saw Deputy Countryman's and Deputy Lozano's patrol vehicle stopped behind Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle. Deputy Holm heard Deputy Lozano broadcast he was involved in a shooting and he (Deputy Lozano) was in foot pursuit. Deputy Holm observed a deputy (unknown if it was Deputy Countryman or Deputy Lozano) running eastbound through the [redacted] parking lot. Deputy Yoshida communicated with Deputy Holm that he (Deputy Yoshida) was going to assist in the foot pursuit. Deputy Yoshida exited the passenger door to their patrol vehicle and engaged in the foot pursuit **[Refer to Witness Holm's transcribed IAB interview, pages 2-7]**

Deputy Holm drove past Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle. He noticed the passenger door to Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle was open. He did not look to see if anyone was still inside Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle. He drove northbound on Citrus Avenue to eastbound Alosta Avenue. Deputy Holm contained the south portion of Alosta Avenue. While Deputy Holm was containing the south portion of Alosta Avenue, he heard Deputy Lozano yelling, "Show me your hands." He moved his vehicle forward, while attempting to locate Deputies Lozano, Countryman, and Yoshida. He located Deputies Lozano, Countryman and Yoshida in the parking lot near Yogurtland. Suspect Valenzuela was on the ground in handcuffs. Deputy Holm noticed Suspect Valenzuela had blood on his shirt and was bleeding from his right shoulder. Deputy Holm assisted with containing the crime scene **[Refer to Witness Holm's transcribed IAB interview, pages 9-13]**.



CIVILIAN WITNESSS:

Witness [redacted]

On June 10, 2015, at approximately 1747 hours, Sergeants Domenick Recchia and John O'Brien from Homicide Bureau interviewed Witness [redacted]. The interview occurred at San Dimas Sheriff's Station. The interview was summarized in the Homicide Bureau Case Book **[Exhibit A, pages 42-44].** For Witness [redacted]'s complete statement, see her transcribed interview.

Following is a summary of Witness [redacted]'s interview:

Witness [redacted] said her [redacted], Suspect [redacted], was driving her [redacted]'s vehicle (white 2008 Chevrolet Malibu, license number [redacted]). She was seated in the front passenger seat and her [redacted] ([redacted], female Hispanic, eight years old) was seated in the backseat. Suspect Valenzuela was driving fast. Witness [redacted] said a patrol vehicle, driving with lights and sirens, was behind them. Suspect Valenzuela began to panic. Suspect Valenzuela did not pull over and began to flee from the patrol vehicle. A vehicle pursuit ensued. Witness [redacted] pleaded with Suspect Valenzuela to stop the vehicle, because her [redacted] was inside the vehicle, but he refused. Suspect Valenzuela said, "Don't worry we're going to get away." Witness [redacted] asked Suspect Valenzuela to allow her and her [redacted] to exit the vehicle, but he kept driving. The vehicular pursuit lasted approximately two minutes. Witness [redacted] said Suspect Valenzuela was not driving fast, because of traffic was too heavy **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview pages 7, 10, and 22]**.

Suspect Valenzuela drove northbound on Citrus Avenue approaching Alosta Avenue. He began moving around in the vehicle. Suspect Valenzuela asked, "Where is my gun? Where is my gun?" Witness [redacted] did not know Suspect Valenzuela had a gun. Witness [redacted] observed Suspect Valenzuela reaching around various part of the vehicle attempting to locate his handgun. Suspect Valenzuela stopped the vehicle on northbound Citrus Avenue south of Alosta Avenue. Witness [redacted] observed a black object in Suspect Valenzuela's right hand. She was not certain if it was a handgun **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview pages 9 and 11-12]**

Witness [redacted] said Suspect Valenzuela climbed over her and jumped out of the passenger window (her front passenger window was down) with the black object in his hand. When Suspect Valenzuela was half way out of the window, Witness [redacted] heard two gunshots. She heard Suspect Valenzuela scream, "Ah." Witness [redacted] smelled gun powder. Witness [redacted] reached in the backseat and grabbed her [redacted]'s hand. Suspect Valenzuela ran. The deputies chased Suspect Valenzuela. Witness [redacted] did not know where Suspect Valenzuela ran, because she had her head down **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview pages 11-13, 17, and pages 20-21]**.

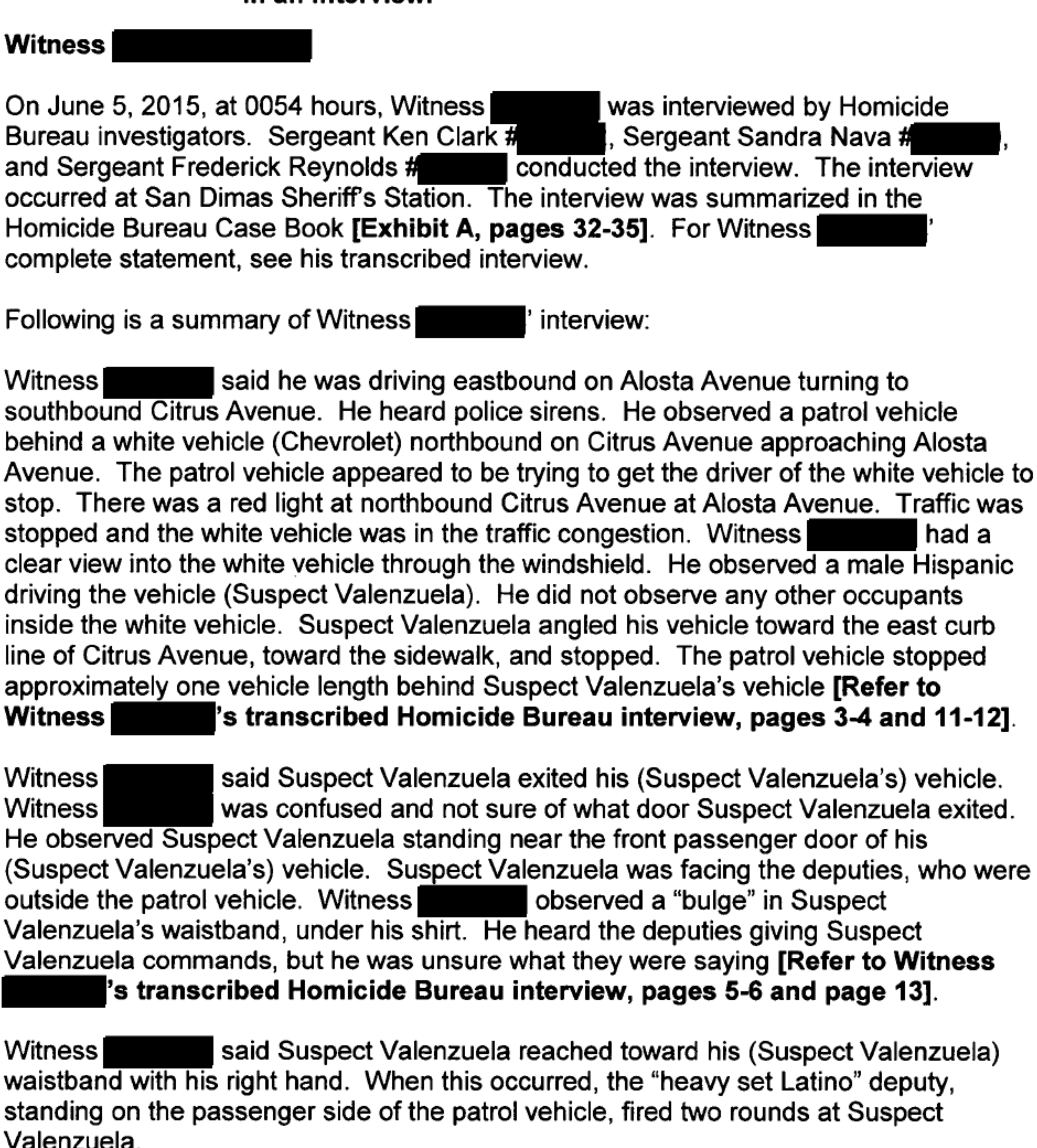
Witness [redacted] waited a few moments and grabbed her [redacted] from the backseat of the vehicle. They exited the vehicle. Witness [redacted] began walking southbound on Citrus Avenue with her [redacted], before she asked someone for a ride. Two male Hispanics gave her a ride to a taco stand in Baldwin Park, California. Witness [redacted] said she did not wait to contact the deputies, because she was afraid **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview pages 14-15, and 18]**.

IAB Note: **Homicide investigators interviewed a male Black subject telephonically [Exhibit A, pages 41-42]. The subject identified himself as "[redacted]" (male/Black, 25 years old). The subject said he gave Witness [redacted] and her [redacted] a ride to a taco stand in Baldwin Park.**

IAB investigators sent "[redacted]" a certified letter to his last known address, so he could be interviewed. As of March 13, 2017, "[redacted]" has not contacted IAB investigators.

On March 10, 2017, IAB investigators sent Witness [redacted] a certified letter in order to interview her.

On March 10, 2017, at 1054 hours, Witness [redacted] contacted IAB investigators and advised she did not want to participate in an interview.



Witness [redacted]

On June 5, 2015, at 0054 hours, Witness [redacted] was interviewed by Homicide Bureau investigators. Sergeant Ken Clark #[redacted], Sergeant Sandra Nava #[redacted], and Sergeant Frederick Reynolds #[redacted] conducted the interview. The interview occurred at San Dimas Sheriff's Station. The interview was summarized in the Homicide Bureau Case Book **[Exhibit A, pages 32-35]**. For Witness [redacted]' complete statement, see his transcribed interview.

Following is a summary of Witness [redacted]' interview:

Witness [redacted] said he was driving eastbound on Alosta Avenue turning to southbound Citrus Avenue. He heard police sirens. He observed a patrol vehicle behind a white vehicle (Chevrolet) northbound on Citrus Avenue approaching Alosta Avenue. The patrol vehicle appeared to be trying to get the driver of the white vehicle to stop. There was a red light at northbound Citrus Avenue at Alosta Avenue. Traffic was stopped and the white vehicle was in the traffic congestion. Witness [redacted] had a clear view into the white vehicle through the windshield. He observed a male Hispanic driving the vehicle (Suspect Valenzuela). He did not observe any other occupants inside the white vehicle. Suspect Valenzuela angled his vehicle toward the east curb line of Citrus Avenue, toward the sidewalk, and stopped. The patrol vehicle stopped approximately one vehicle length behind Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 3-4 and 11-12]**.

Witness [redacted] said Suspect Valenzuela exited his (Suspect Valenzuela's) vehicle. Witness [redacted] was confused and not sure of what door Suspect Valenzuela exited. He observed Suspect Valenzuela standing near the front passenger door of his (Suspect Valenzuela's) vehicle. Suspect Valenzuela was facing the deputies, who were outside the patrol vehicle. Witness [redacted] observed a "bulge" in Suspect Valenzuela's waistband, under his shirt. He heard the deputies giving Suspect Valenzuela commands, but he was unsure what they were saying **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 5-6 and page 13]**.

Witness [redacted] said Suspect Valenzuela reached toward his (Suspect Valenzuela) waistband with his right hand. When this occurred, the "heavy set Latino" deputy, standing on the passenger side of the patrol vehicle, fired two rounds at Suspect Valenzuela.

Witness [redacted] observed Suspect Valenzuela being shot in the right shoulder. Suspect Valenzuela stumbled backward and ran eastbound through the parking lot toward the [redacted] restaurant. Witness [redacted] said the "Latino" deputy and his partner, an "Asian" deputy, chased Suspect Valenzuela. Witness [redacted] stated he believed the deputies were going to need assistance. He made a U-turn into the parking lot and drove near the [redacted] restaurant (where he last saw the deputies running). He observed the "Asian" deputy looking around, as if he lost sight of the suspect. Witness [redacted] continued to drive around the parking lot. He heard voices. He looked in the direction where he heard the voices. He observed deputies detaining Suspect Valenzuela on the ground (near Yogurtland). Witness [redacted] observed Suspect Valenzuela on the ground handcuffed **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 6-10 and page 13]**.

Witness [redacted]

On June 4, 2015, at approximately 2310 hours, Sergeants Sandra Nava, Kenneth Clark, and Frederick Reynolds from Homicide Bureau interviewed Witness [redacted]. IAB investigators were also present during the interview. The interviewed occurred at San Dimas Sheriff's Station. The interview was summarized in the Homicide Bureau Case Book **[Exhibit A, pages 37-39].** For Witness [redacted]'s complete statement, see his transcribed interview.

Following is a summary of Witness [redacted]'s interview:

Witness [redacted] said he was standing on the northeast corner of Citrus Avenue and Alosta Avenue. He observed a patrol vehicle driving northbound on Citrus Avenue approaching Alosta Avenue with its lights and siren activated. He noticed traffic was congested at Citrus Avenue and Alosta Avenue. Witness [redacted] realized the patrol vehicle was pursuing a white vehicle. The pursuit ended at northbound Citrus Avenue south of Alosta Avenue. The patrol vehicle was stopped approximately two vehicles (in length) behind the white vehicle. An occupant (Suspect Valenzuela) of the white vehicle exited. Witness [redacted] did not see which door Suspect Valenzuela exited. Suspect Valenzuela was on the east sidewalk of Citrus Avenue and began to run eastbound toward the [redacted] parking lot.

Witness [redacted] said he heard one gunshot. After hearing the gunshot, he heard Suspect Valenzuela say, "Ah." He believed one of the deputies shot Suspect Valenzuela in the back as he (Suspect Valenzuela) ran from the sidewalk. Witness [redacted] did not observe where the deputies were when he heard the gunshot **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 3-10 and 13-15]**.

Witness [redacted] observed three deputies chase Suspect Valenzuela in a northeast direction through the parking lot of [redacted] (near the drive-thru). Witness [redacted] did not observe a handgun in Suspect Valenzuela's hand. He then observed the deputies chasing Suspect Valenzuela eastbound on Alosta Avenue on the south sidewalk. Suspect Valenzuela turned southbound back into the shopping center's parking lot near Yogurtland (922 Alosta Avenue), and out of view **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, page 6 and pages 11-12]**.

Witness [redacted] saw a female adult and a child (approximately six years old) walk from the vicinity of the white vehicle Suspect Valenzuela exited. Witness [redacted] said the female appeared to be frantic. Witness [redacted] believed she exited the white vehicle, but was not sure. The female and the child walked eastbound through the parking lot out of view **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 12-14]**.

Witness [redacted]

On June 4, 2015, at 2223 hours, Witness [redacted] was interviewed by Homicide Bureau investigators. Sergeant Ken Clark, Sergeant Sandra Nava, and Sergeant Frederick Reynolds conducted interview. IAB investigators were also present during the interview. The interview occurred at San Dimas Sheriff's Station. The interview was summarized in the Homicide Bureau Case Book **[Exhibit A, pages 22-24]**. For Witness [redacted]'s complete statement, see her transcribed interview.

Witness [redacted] said on the day of the incident, she was [redacted]. She observed a patrol vehicle driving northbound on Citrus Avenue approaching Alosta Avenue. Witness [redacted] said it appeared the patrol vehicle was conducting a "regular pull over" on a white vehicle. Both vehicles stopped. Witness [redacted] observed both deputies exit their vehicle, while giving commands to the driver of the white vehicle. The driver of the white vehicle (Suspect Valenzuela) exited his vehicle and walked around the front of his vehicle to the passenger side. Witness [redacted] observed Suspect Valenzuela facing the deputies while leaning forward. She heard Suspect Valenzuela say, "No." She then heard a loud "pop" that resembled the sound of a gunshot.

Witness [redacted] observed Suspect Valenzuela running eastbound through the parking lot. Both deputies chased Suspect Valenzuela eastbound though the [redacted] parking lot toward Alosta Avenue. As Suspect Valenzuela ran through the parking lot, past the drive-through window, Witness [redacted] observed a handgun in Suspect Valenzuela's left hand. The deputies were approximately ten feet behind Suspect Valenzuela.

Witness [redacted] heard the deputies telling Suspect Valenzuela to stop while they were running. Once Suspect Valenzuela and the deputies ran past [redacted] Witness [redacted] lost sight of them. Witness [redacted] did not see anyone else inside Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle before or after the incident occurred **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 4-9 and pages 11-16]**.

Witness [redacted]

On June 5, 2015, at 0010 hours, Homicide Bureau investigators interviewed Witness [redacted]. The interviewed occurred at San Dimas Station. For Witness [redacted]'s complete statement, see her transcribed Homicide Bureau interview.

Following is a summary of Witness [redacted]'s statement:

Witness [redacted] said she was [redacted]. [redacted]. She heard police sirens and looked out of the window. Witness [redacted] observed a white vehicle stopped on Citrus Avenue near the entrance to the [redacted] drive-through. A patrol vehicle was behind the white vehicle with its red and blue lights activated. Witness [redacted] heard one gunshot. She observed a male Hispanic subject (Suspect Valenzuela) running eastbound through the parking lot. She observed two deputies exit their vehicle and chase Suspect Valenzuela through the parking lot. Suspect Valenzuela had a small black handgun in his left hand as he ran from the deputies. Witness [redacted]. While Suspect Valenzuela was running, Witness [redacted] heard him say, "No. No." Once Suspect Valenzuela and the deputies past the [redacted] trashcans (located south of the restaurant), Witness [redacted] lost sight of them. Witness [redacted] said she saw a woman standing next to the white vehicle, but she never saw a child with the woman **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide interview, pages 3-7]**.

Witness [redacted]

On June 4, 2015, at approximately 2247 hours, Sergeants Sandra Nava, Kenneth Clark, and Frederick Reynolds from Homicide Bureau interviewed Witness [redacted]. IAB investigators were also present during the interview. The interview occurred at San Dimas Sheriff's Station. The interview was summarized in the Homicide Bureau Case Book **[Exhibit A, pages 27-30].** For Witness [redacted]'s complete statement, see his transcribed interview.

Following is a summary of Witness [redacted]'s interview:

Witness [redacted] said when the incident occurred, he was entering the [redacted] restaurant with his friend, Witness [redacted]. He heard someone yelling. He looked in the direction where he heard the yelling. He observed a patrol vehicle stopped behind a white vehicle northbound Citrus Avenue south of Alosta Avenue. The patrol vehicle had its red lights activated. He saw two deputies standing near the driver's door of the white vehicle. One deputy was standing in front of the other. He said the deputy closest to the driver's door appeared to be attempting to break the driver's window. He also observed the deputy closest to the driver's door fire one round at the driver's window. He believed the front driver's side window of the white vehicle was shattered **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, page 3 and pages 5-10]**.

IAB Note: **Witness [redacted] had doubts on what he observed, because he later looked at the white vehicle, but he did not see any broken glass on the driver's door window [Refer to Witness [redacted]'s Homicide Bureau interview, page 8].**

Witness [redacted] ran inside the [redacted] restaurant and looked out of the window. He observed a male Hispanic (Suspect Valenzuela) being chased by the two deputies eastbound through the [redacted] parking lot. Witness [redacted] did not observe Suspect Valenzuela exit the white vehicle, but Suspect Valenzuela ran from the area where the white vehicle was stopped. Witness [redacted] did not see anything in Suspect Valenzuela's hands when he ran, but Witness [redacted] said he was not paying attention to Suspect Valenzuela's hands. Witness [redacted] lost sight of where Suspect Valenzuela and the deputies went. Approximately two minutes later, he looked at the white vehicle and noticed that there was someone still in the passenger seat. He saw a female Hispanic (approximately 30 years old) exit the vehicle with a child (approximately six years old). The female grabbed the child by the hand and ran southbound on Citrus Avenue, out of view **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 3-6, 8, and 11]**.

Witness [redacted]

On June 5, 2015, at approximately 0038 hours, Sergeants Sandra Nava, Kenneth Clark, and Frederick Reynolds from Homicide Bureau interviewed Witness [redacted]. The interview occurred at San Dimas Sheriff's Station. The interview was summarized in the Homicide Bureau Case Book **[Exhibit A, pages 30-32]**. For Witness [redacted]'s complete statement, see his transcribed interview.

Following is a summary of Witness [redacted]'s interview:

Witness [redacted] said when the incident occurred, he was entering the [redacted] restaurant with his friend, Witness [redacted]. Witness [redacted] noticed a patrol vehicle stopped behind a white vehicle. He observed a deputy at the driver's door of the white vehicle. At the time he was unable to see the occupants of the vehicle, due it having tinted windows. Witness [redacted] attempted to get Witness [redacted]'s attention. Before Witness [redacted] could see what Witness [redacted] was talking about, he heard a single gunshot. Witness [redacted] heard the gunshot come from the area where the patrol vehicle and the white vehicle were located. Witnesses [redacted] and [redacted] went inside [redacted] While entering the [redacted] restaurant, Witness [redacted] observed a male Hispanic (Suspect Valenzuela) running from two deputies eastbound through the Chick-fil-A parking lot. He did not observe Suspect Valenzuela with a gun in his hand, but he was not focused on Suspect Valenzuela's hands. Witness [redacted] did not hear anything unusual prior to hearing the gunshot, because he felt he was too far away **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 3-9]**.

After observing the deputies chasing Suspect Valenzuela through the parking lot, Witness [redacted] observed a female Hispanic (approximately 30 years old) exit the passenger door of the white vehicle. The female looked around for a few seconds, before retrieving a small child (toddler) that was also within the vehicle. The female ran with the toddler southbound on Citrus Avenue, out of view **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 8-12].**

Witness [redacted]

On June 4, 2015, at approximately 2357 hours, Sergeants Sandra Nava, Kenneth Clark, and Frederick Reynolds from Homicide Bureau interviewed Witness [redacted]. The interview occurred at San Dimas Sheriff's Station. For Witness [redacted]'s complete statement, see **Exhibit A, page 25** and his transcribed interview.

Following is a summary of Witness [redacted]'s interview:

Witness [redacted] said when the incident occurred, he was with Witness [redacted] in the [redacted] restaurant, located at [redacted] in the city of [redacted]. Witness [redacted] was ordering food when he observed patrons looking outside the window. He looked out the window and saw a male (Suspect Valenzuela) running from two deputies. Suspect Valenzuela appeared to be running away from a white vehicle. Witness [redacted] observed a patrol vehicle parked 15-20 feet behind the white vehicle.

Witness [redacted] said as the deputies chased Suspect Valenzuela, one of the deputies dropped his radio. Witness [redacted] was curious to see what was going on, so he exited the side door to [redacted] When he exited, he observed the deputies with their weapons drawn. Witness [redacted] went back inside the restaurant to avoid being caught in a crossfire. Witness [redacted] said he heard a single gunshot, but was unsure of when heard the gunshot **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 2-5, and pages 7-9]**.

Witness [redacted]

On June 4, 2015, at approximately 2334 hours, Sergeants Sandra Nava, Kenneth Clark, and Frederick Reynolds from Homicide Bureau interviewed Witness [redacted]. The interviewed occurred at San Dimas Sheriff's Station. For Witness [redacted]'s complete statement, see **Exhibit A, pages 24-25** and his transcribed interview.

Following is a summary of Witness [redacted]'s interview:

Witness [redacted] said when the incident occurred, he was with Witness [redacted] inside the [redacted] restaurant located at [redacted] in the city of [redacted]. He observed other patrons within the restaurant looking out of the window. He looked out the window to see what was going on. When he looked out the window, he saw a male (Suspect Valenzuela) running from the direction of a white vehicle. The white vehicle was facing northbound Citrus Avenue with a patrol vehicle stopped behind it. Suspect Valenzuela ran through the parking lot as two deputies chased him. Witness [redacted] did not observe a handgun in Suspect Valenzuela's hand, but Witness [redacted] was not focused on Suspect Valenzuela's hands **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, page 3-6]**.

Witness [redacted] ran outside of the north door of the restaurant to see what was going on. The deputies chased Suspect Valenzuela eastbound through the parking lot, toward "Pieology," out of Witness [redacted]'s view. When Witness [redacted] walked back inside [redacted] he heard a single gunshot, but did not see who fired it **[Refer to Witness [redacted]'s transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 3-6]**.

Witness [redacted]

On June 5, 2015, at approximately 0025 hours, Sergeants Sandra Nava, Kenneth Clark, and Frederick Reynolds from Homicide Bureau interviewed Witness [redacted]. The interview occurred at San Dimas Sheriff's Station. The interview was summarized in the Homicide Bureau Case Book **[Exhibit A, pages 25-26].** For Witness [redacted]' complete statement, see her transcribed interview.

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Following is a summary of Witness [redacted]' interview:

Witness [redacted] was sitting down eating inside the [redacted] restaurant located at [redacted]. Witness [redacted] sat next to the window that faced Citrus Avenue. She observed a white vehicle stopped on northbound Citrus Avenue near Alosta Avenue. The white vehicle was angled toward the east curb of Citrus Avenue. She saw a female with blonde hair exit the driver's door of the white vehicle. The female appeared scared. The female walked toward the [redacted] parking lot. Witness [redacted] lost sight of the female and did not see her again. Witness [redacted] believed the white vehicle was involved in an accident, because of the way the vehicle was angled toward the curb. She observed a patrol vehicle parked behind the white vehicle. Approximately 30 seconds later, Witness [redacted] observed another patrol vehicle drive past the white vehicle with its lights and siren activated. The patrol vehicle drove northbound on Citrus Avenue then turned to eastbound Alosta Avenue, out of view. Witness [redacted] said she did not see anyone else exit the white vehicle. She also did not hear a gunshot or observe deputy personnel in foot pursuit **[Refer to Witness [redacted]' transcribed Homicide Bureau interview, pages 3-8]**.

<u>SUSPECT STATEMENT:</u>

Suspect Paul Valenzuela

On June 5, 2015, at 0237 hours, Homicide Bureau investigators responded to LCMC (Los Angeles County Medical Center) to interview Suspect Valenzuela. Suspect Valenzuela declined to talk to Homicide Bureau investigators **[Exhibit A, page 9]**.

On February 23, 2017, at 0858 hours, IAB investigators interviewed Suspect Valenzuela telephonically. Suspect Valenzuela granted IAB investigators permission to record the interview. For Suspect Valenzuela's complete statement, see his transcribed IAB interview.

IAB Note: **Suspect Valenzuela is serving a four year prison sentence at Susanville High Desert State Prison (California Department of Corrections #G53579).**

Suspect Valenzuela said he had limited memory of the incident, because he was intoxicated. He said he consumed three cans of hard apple ale prior to the shooting. Later in his IAB interview, Suspect Valenzuela said he was not intoxicated.

Following is a summary of Suspect Valenzuela's interview:

Suspect Valenzuela said on June 4, 2015, at approximately 1750 hours, he exited the westbound on the freeway (unknown) at Barranca Street or Grand Avenue (Suspect Valenzuela was unsure). He was driving a white Chevrolet Malibu. His [redacted], Witness [redacted], was the front passenger in the vehicle. Witness [redacted]) was seated in the backseat. He and Witness [redacted] were arguing. Suspect [redacted] said the vehicle he was driving belonged to Witness [redacted] **[Refer to Suspect Valenzuela's transcribed IAB interview, pages 2-4]**.

Suspect Valenzuela said while he was driving westbound on Barranca Street, he "cut" a vehicle off. He was apologizing to the driver of the other vehicle by using a "peace sign" hand gesture. He observed a patrol vehicle driving "westbound" on Barranca Street (traffic on Barranca Street travels north and south). He believed the deputies got a radio call of him displaying gang signs from his vehicle. The patrol vehicle made a U-turn and got behind Suspect Valenzuela's vehicle. Suspect Valenzuela stated the patrol vehicle activated its lights and siren behind him. Suspect Valenzuela did not stop, because he had a handgun in his vehicle. He was pursued by the deputies through the city of Azusa. Suspect Valenzuela said he had both his hands on the steering wheel while he was being pursued by the deputies. He stated he did not have a handgun in his hands during the pursuit **[Refer to Suspect Valenzuela's transcribed IAB interview, pages 2, 4, and pages 5-6]**.

IAB Note: When this incident occurred, Suspect Valenzuela was [redacted]. Suspect Valenzuela said he possessed a .380 caliber handgun, because he dropped out of the Puente street gang and feared his life was in danger. While he was [redacted].

When Suspect Valenzuela drove northbound on Citrus Avenue approaching Alosta Avenue, traffic was congested, due to a red light. Suspect Valenzuela pulled his vehicle over. Suspect Valenzuela did not want to go back to prison or hurt any pedestrians. When he stopped his vehicle, Suspect Valenzuela heard the deputies give him commands. He was attempting to get out the driver's door, but he could not unlock the door. Suspect Valenzuela retrieved his .380 caliber handgun from the side of his driver's seat and put it in his left hand. He grabbed Witness [redacted] and placed her on floor in the rear of the vehicle. He told Witness [redacted] to get down and not to exit the vehicle.

Suspect Valenzuela climbed over Witness [redacted] and exited the vehicle through the front passenger window (the front passenger window was down). He heard the deputies giving him commands to put his hands up. As Suspect Valenzuela was exiting the window, he turned toward the deputies. He was shot in his, upper right chest by the deputy on passenger side of the patrol vehicle. When Suspect Valenzuela was shot, his torso was outside of the vehicle, while his legs were still inside the vehicle. Suspect Valenzuela had his handgun in his left hand, while attempting to conceal it from the deputies. Suspect Valenzuela fell to the ground. He put his right hand up, while still trying to conceal the gun in his left hand **[Refer to Suspect Valenzuela's transcribed IAB interview, pages 2-3, and 5-13]**.

Suspect Valenzuela got up and ran eastbound through the [redacted] parking lot. Two deputies chased Suspect Valenzuela. He said the deputies ran next to each other. He discarded his handgun near some bushes adjacent the [redacted] restaurant. Suspect Valenzuela continued to run, as both deputies chased him. Suspect Valenzuela said he turned a corner, near a building, and ran southbound back into the parking lot. Suspect Valenzuela hid under a parked vehicle. Suspect Valenzuela said he was "bleeding out" under the vehicle. Suspect Valenzuela said a citizen told the deputies he was hiding under the vehicle. The deputies gave him commands. The deputies pulled Suspect Valenzuela from under the vehicle by his leg. Suspect Valenzuela said he did not resist when he was removed from under the vehicle **[Refer to Suspect Valenzuela's transcribed IAB interview, pages 2-3 and pages 12-17]**.